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Letter dated 15 March 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I have the honour to transmit herewith a copy of my letter dated 14 March 2001 addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting him to announce the intention of my Government to pledge a contribution in the amount of US$ 1,083,000 (one million eighty-three thousand United States dollars) to the Trust Fund in Support of the Delimitation and Demarcation of the Ethiopia/Eritrea Border (see annex).

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter, together with the above-mentioned letter, distributed as a document of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Yukio **Satoh**
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Annex to the letter dated 15 March 2001 from the Permanent Representative of Japan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

I am writing to you in your capacity as President of the Security Council and with regard to the Council's meeting on 15 March at which it intends to adopt a resolution to extend the mandate of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (UNMEE).

Specifically, I would like to refer to Security Council resolution 1177 (1998), paragraph 8, in which a Trust Fund was established for the delimitation and demarcation of the common border between the two countries, and to paragraph 49 of the report of the Secretary-General on Ethiopia and Eritrea (S/2001/202), dated 7 March 2001, in which he made an urgent appeal to Member States for contributions to the Fund.

In response to that appeal, I am pleased to inform you that the Government of Japan is now in a position to pledge a contribution in the amount of US$ 1,083,000 (one million eighty-three thousand United States dollars) to the Trust Fund. Preparations for the actual transfer of the contribution are now under way between the United Nations Secretariat and this Mission.

On behalf of my Government, I would like to request that, at the 15 March meeting, you bring to the attention of the members of the Security Council this contribution as a demonstration of Japan's determination to foster the peace process in Ethiopia and Eritrea and to help generate political momentum for the full and prompt implementation of the Peace Agreement.

(*Signed*) Yukio **Satoh**
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